

Remarks

A. Pending Claims

Claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-28, 53, 75, 97, 116, and 140 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Claims 97 and 116 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-28, 53, 75, 97, 116, and 140 are currently pending.

B. Election/Restriction

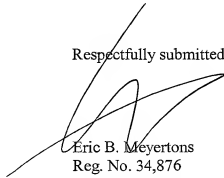
Applicant hereby elects Group I corresponding to claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-28, 53, 75, and 140 without traverse. Applicant submits that claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-28, 53, 75, and 140 read upon Group I. Applicant has withdrawn claims 97 and 116. Applicant reserves the right to file additional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests that any withdrawn claims be considered for rejoinder at such time that a generic claim is in condition for allowance.

C. Additional Comments

Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests a five-month extension of time. A fee authorization form has been submitted to cover fees associated with the requested five-month extension of time. If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any further fees are required, or have been overpaid, please appropriately charge, or credit, those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5838-01801/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



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